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Docket No.: 10003714-1
47429-00108USPT
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
-- EXPEDITED PROCEDURE --
EXAMINING GROUP NUMBER 7843

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Ganapati R. Mauze

Application No.: 09/982307

Confirmation No.: 7843

Filed: October 16, 2001

Art Unit: 1637

For: A COMPANION CARTRIDGE FOR
DISPOSABLE DIAGNOSTIC SENSING
PLATFORMS

Examiner: J. N. Fredman

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 27, 2005 (Paper No. 20050525), finally rejecting claims 21-37, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.



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Group Art Unit: 1637

Title: A Companion Cartridge for Disposable Diagnostic Sensing Platforms

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- ☒ Response/Amendment ☐ Petition to extend time to respond
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☐ Other: (Fee \$ _____)

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INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	5	= 0	X 200	\$ 0
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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